

# Horses

a song setting of the poem 'Horses' by Michael Murphy

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for voice, clarinet, violin and piano

i passed a field with seven horses  
seven white against the green  
seven friends trusting  
tight and serene  
so even  
so uneven

i grew up with horses  
and the white and the green  
was i ever so trusting  
was i ever serene  
was i so even  
or uneven

- Michael Murphy

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♩ = c. 54 freely

**Chord Diagrams:**

- F#m7
- Dsus2 7/#11
- C#7
- F#m7
- D6/#11
- Bm7
- Gm add 9
- Ebmaj7
- D
- D7
- Gm add 11
- Gm add 9

**Instrumentation:**

- Voice
- Clarinet (concert pitch)
- Violin
- Piano

**Score Structure:**

- Measures 1-4: Voice, Clarinet, Violin, and Piano (piano part begins with a piano *p* dynamic).
- Measures 5-8: Piano (continuation of the piano part).
- Measures 9-12: Piano (continuation of the piano part).

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12 *p* *F#m 7* *3* *F#m 7* *Dmaj7/9*

Voice: I passed a field with se - ven hor - ses

Piano: *p*

15 *Dmaj7/9* *C#7* *C#7* *mp*

Voice: se - ven white a - gainst the

Piano: *mp*

18 *F#m 7* *F#m 7* *F#m add 9* *Dmaj7/#11* *p* *3*

Voice: green se - ven friends trus - ting

Piano: *mf* *p*

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21

**Chords:** Bm7, Gm add9, Gm add9

**Voice:** tight and se - rene so

**Piano:**

24

**Chords:** Ebmaj7, D, D7, Gm

**Voice:** e - ven so un - e - ven

**Piano:**

27

**Chords:** Gm, F#m7, Dsus2 7/#11

**Voice:**

**Clarinet:** *espressivo* *p*

**Piano:**

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30

Chords: C#7, C#7, F#m7

Voice

Clarinet

Piano

33

Chords: D6/#11, Bm7, Gm add 9

Voice

Clarinet

Piano

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36

Chords: Gm, E<sup>b</sup> maj7, D7/b13, D7

Voice

Clarinet

Piano

39

Chords: Gm add 11, Gm, F#m7

Voice

Clarinet

Violin

Piano

Lyrics: I grew

Annotations: *p*, *espressivo*, *sva (sempre)*, *p*



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42

Voice

up with hor - ses and the

Clarinet

Violin

Piano

F#m7 Dmaj7/9 Dmaj7/9

45

Voice

white and the green

Clarinet

Violin

Piano

C#7 C#7 F#m7

crescendo

crescendo

crescendo

f

f

f

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48

**Chords:** F#m7, F#m add9, Dmaj7/#11, Bm7

**Voice:** was I e - ver so tru - sting? was I e - ver se -

**Clarinet:** *p*

**Violin:** *p*

**Piano:** *p*

51

**Chords:** G#m add9, G#m add9, Ebmaj7

**Voice:** rene? was I so e - ven?

**Clarinet:**

**Violin:** *loco*, *8va (sempre)*

**Piano:**

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54

Chords: D, D7, Gm, Gm

Voice: or un - e - ven?

Clarinet

Violin

Piano

57

Chords: Ebmaj7, D, D7, Gm add9, Gm

Voice

Clarinet

Violin

Piano